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TOWN COUNCIL

Secretary Bond accepts Council's Proposition
Another Sub-Division Cancelled

The Council meeting on Monday last, held in the Town Hall, was productive of much eloquence on the part of several councillors, some of the debates being conducted almost to the point of exhaustion, and as a consequence the session continued until the late hour of 11:45 p.m.

Difference of opinion on the matter of points of order and rules of parliamentary procedure provided much of the discussion, but considerable business was also transacted in the intervals of debate.

An interesting hourly on the morality of licensing was received from the Barbers' Association which was at once illuminating and instructive, their contention that it was just as feasible to tax every horse on the dry lives as it was to tax each individual barber in town being held to be incontrovertible.

Secretary Bond has consented to continue in office at the salary offered him at the previous meeting, namely \$200.00 per month.

The business transacted at the meeting was as follows.

Minutes of previous meeting adopted after discussion arising out of an objection taken to a clause referring to Councils offer to St. B. R. Bond which it was contended was out of order.

Communications received from the following:

The Union Canadian Municipalities wrote the Council asking for endorsement of resolution passed at their Annual Meeting, urging the Federal Govt. to co-operate more closely with the Municipalities on all objects pertaining to War Economy and particularly with reference to distributing. Granted.

Burke & Mayor informed Council that it would be impossible for them to accept any reduction in retaining fee. A motion that the firm be retained at former fee was lost.

Moved by Coun. Connolly and seconded that the firm be retained at former fee provided an assurance be secured that one of the members of the firm attend every Council Meeting—carried.

R. B. Owens, Prov. Sanitary Engineer wrote the Council re the Calgary Sewage Disposal Plant, stating that it was impossible for the City of Calgary to use any of the money at its disposal for Sewage Plant but that they would guarantee to make provision for such plant in the first money bill submitted to the people, and suggested that Bassano Council waive their objection to the proposed expenditure.

Communication from Prov. Secretary informing Council that inasmuch as the Prov. Govt. were taking care of the Patriotic fund this year, it would not be necessary for Council to levy a tax for that purpose.

Letter from Geo. Travis making application for transfer of certain lots held by him in South Bassano tract, in accordance with resolution passed at previous meeting, which would leave the greater part of subdivision suitable for farming purposes.

Application from the Barbers for a judgment of license, which they suggested should apply to the shop and not individual barbers, was referred to the Fire, License and Police Committee.

Messrs. Hannah, Stinson and Fisher made application for the cancellation of Tyroons Park as subdivision lot 161 page

Outbreak of Smallpox in South-Western District

We are informed by the local Medical Officer Dr. Scott, that there are a number of smallpox cases under treatment in the Milo and Vulcan districts.

So far, the scourge has not entered the district tributary to Bassano, but owing to the difficulty of enforcing the quarantine law, many people whose families are afflicted are making trips to the towns outside of their own area.

The scourge we understand is prevalent in many parts of the Province but in most places the Medical authorities have it well in hand, and a conscientious effort on the part of those whose houses and districts are quarantined will restrict the area of infection considerably. (Inoculation or vaccination is one of the safest preventive measures to adopt against the disease, and it is highly recommended by the medical faculty.)

However the Bassano district is not yet affected and Dr. Scott may be relied upon to exercise the most rigid measures to keep his territory clear.

Bassano Band to Reorganise

An effort is being made to revive interest in the Bassano Band, and with this object in view a meeting will be held on Sunday afternoon at 8 o'clock in F. J. Mallor's office.

Such an organization is sadly needed in town and would fill a long felt want.

Many of our citizens have heard Fuss slide, on his trombone, and seen Pinnoe pin the melody to his cornet; heard Gos. blow the French horn, and many others their own; the town is full of drummers, and it only remains for the cementing of organization to make the band stick.

A little boost, and lots of kindly sympathy is all that is needed to put it over.

What Mr. Hanna Says

"As Food Controller, I cannot change the fact the world shortage. I cannot by decree, overcome the tremendous deficiency of wheat in the Allied countries or supply the war demand from empty granaries. Just I see, and I will, do all in my power to prevent speculation, to ensure equitable distribution of essential food supplies and to limit middlemen's profits to a reasonable compensation for necessary services."

LESS SUGAR FOR CANDY
Preliminary steps have been taken to curtail the use of cane sugar in the manufacture of candies. Manufacturers have been informed of the necessity for saving such sugar and are now endeavoring to adjust their business to the requirements of the situation.

HOW IT IS IN EUROPE

In Mr. Hoover's latest communication to members of the United States Food Administration he says: "There is no waste of food among any other Allies. There is the most drastic reduction in their consumption. There is actual starvation among their women and children. There is starvation in Belgium." He explains that "every particle of diminished consumption by the people of America is one particle more for the soldiers, men, women and children of our Allied land, for the starving people in other countries. Voluntary individuals self-sacrifice to save the world in the call to the people of the United States and Canada in one of the greatest crises of the world."

GEM THEATRE

Friday and Saturday:

Vivian Martin as "The Wax Model."

Monday and Tuesday:

William Russell in "The Masked Heart"
EXTRA—Charlie Chaplin in "The Vagabond"—Same Admission

Wednesday and Thursday:

H. Peters in "Happiness of Three Women"

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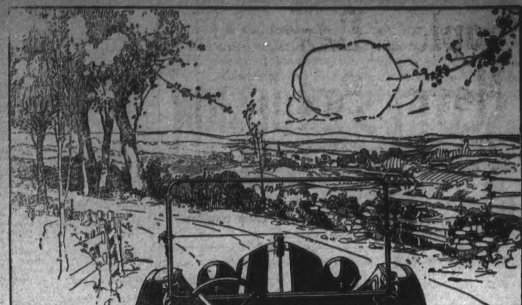


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GEM U.F.A. LOCAL

Things are living up at them since the forming of the Local U.F.A. and the "Not Together" spirit of that organization has already been responsible for a number of good times since January 1st 1918. The latest event, an Oyster Supper, given at the Gem Schoolhouse on Friday evening the 18th inst. was a huge success, and most every one living in the Gem district are now aware of "What noise makes an Oyster most."

The general business of the Local was disposed of in a most expeditious manner to allow the company to settle down to enjoy a splendid program of music and recreation arranged by a very efficient entertainment committee, which included the following items.

Song by Gem Chorus, "Canning the Kale", song by Mrs. F. Fryberger, Banjo Solo by Mrs. O. Loran, recitation by Dorothy McBride, Duet by Miss M. Elliott and Miss Royer, recitation by Flora Elliott, Song by Mrs. Roseborough, Song by the Gem Male Quartet assisted by Mr. Elliott.

After the concert the splendid O. S. Supper with all the "fixings" was served to the 140 present and many thanks are due to the refreshment committee for making very this event was carried out.

The business transacted at the U.F.A. meeting included the election of delegates to attend the Annual Convention of the U.F.A. at Calgary, Messrs. Royer, Elliott, Jones and Fryberger being the members selected.

Five new members signed up making a total of 42 members now on the roll. The amount realized by the sale of supper tickets amounted to \$61.35 which is to be used for the purchase of dishes and kitchen utensils for the Local to allow the cooks to "Carry On."

Another social evening is scheduled for Friday February 1st and judging by the way the various committees appointed to carry out the plans of this event are working, promises fair to outlive all previous events.

Interesting Decision in Appeal Court

A man, who has become a farmer since the announcement by the Government of the policy of compulsory military service, should not be heard to claim exemption on the ground of national interest.

This was an appeal by the man concerned from the decision of Manitoba Appeal Tribunal No. 8, confirming the refusal by Manitoba Local Tribunal No. 32 to grant exemption. The Appeal Tribunal gave leave to appeal.

The Central Appeal Judge: In the autumn of 1917 the applicant was engaged with his brother in carrying on, as an occupation, the business of a hardware merchant in Manitoba. He sold out his share of the business, and bought and partly paid for a farm, got married and went to live on the farm. He claims exemption on the ground that it is important in the national interest that he should not be drafted for military service but should be allowed to carry on the work of agricultural production. The applicant, it may be observed, was brought up on a farm in Ontario, and is not ignorant of farming.

The Tribunal was divided of the national value of the services of a man who has abandoned another occupation, and turned to farming, with the object of avoiding military service. Where such a change of occupation took place after the authoritative announcement by the Government of the policy of compulsory military service, the plea of national interest is not, in the opinion of the Central Appeal Judge, to be listened to.

When the change took place after the beginning of the war, and after the question of the adoption of compulsory service had become a subject of active political discussion, the applicant should be called upon to prove his bona fides in the clearest way, and his conduct and all the circumstances should be scrutinized with suspicion. Exemption refused.

STRAYED

\$50.00 Reward, will be given for the return or information leading to the recovery of a Brown Mare about 1200 lb with foal at side. Wingham brand. This mare strayed from the Blair-Barnes, Redcliffe, on or about August 19th. Reply to J. F. Bending, 282 Fifth St., Medicine Hat, Alberta.

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THE sole head of a family, or any male over 18 years old may homestead a quarter-section of available Dominion land in Manitoba, Saskatchewan or Alberta. Applicant must appear in person at the Dominion Lands Agency or Sub-Agency for the District. Entry by proxy may be made at any Dominion Lands Agency (but not Sub-Agency), on certain conditions.

Duties—Six months residence upon and cultivation of the land in each of three years. A homesteader may live within nine miles of his homestead on a farm of at least 80 acres, on certain conditions. A habitable house is required except where residence is performed in the vicinity.

In certain districts a homesteader in good standing may pre-empt a quarter-section alongside his homestead. Price \$2.00 per acre.

Duties—Six months residence in each of three years after earning homestead patent also 60 acres extra cultivation. Pre-emption patent may be obtained as soon as homestead patent, on certain conditions.

Persons who have exhausted his homestead right may take a purchased homestead in certain districts. Price \$3.00 per acre. Duties—Must reside six months in each of three years, cultivate 60 acres and erect a house worth \$200.

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W. W. COPE, C. M. G., Deputy of the Minister of the Interior.

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